



## Professional Development & Quality Improvement



- COPESD provides 5 Professional Learning opportunities for staff per year.
- COPESD's Early Childhood Specialist (ECS) provides coaching and goal setting around program and student data to facilitate continuous quality improvement.
- Learning is centered around Michigan Early Childhood Standards of Quality and Michigan's Literacy and Math Essentials
- Facilitates connections to resources such as child care, mental health, and early intervention specialists
- The child care center, community-based organization, or district becomes a part of the local Early Childhood network.

## Other Info:



- The facility must be licensed by Child Care Licensing Bureau (CCLB) which is part of Licensing And Regulator Affairs (LARA).
- Scan above for a step-by-step licensing guide.
- **Calendar** - 120 days over at least 30 weeks w/new licensed classrooms operating a min. of 80 days over at least 20 weeks (*except Extended*)
- **Staff**
  - Credentialed Lead Teacher
    - Valid MI teaching certificate w/a ZA, ZS, Birth-K or PK-3 endorsement
    - BA in EC education or child development w/specialization in preschool teaching
  - Associate Teacher
    - Associate degree in Early Childhood ed., child development or equivalent
    - Valid Center-Based Preschool CDA credential



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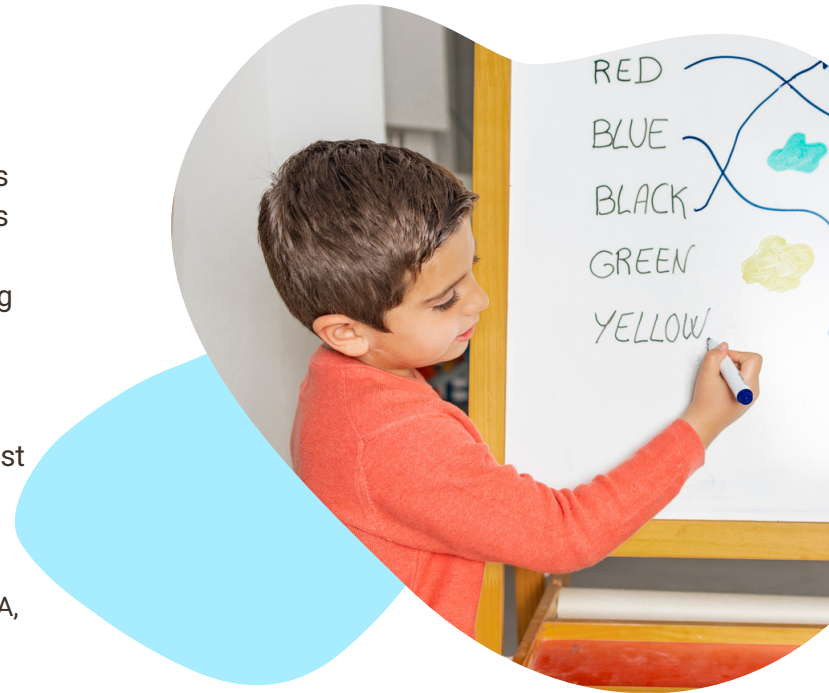
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## Benefits of Community Partnerships with GSRP





## Funding

Typically there are 16 children and 2 adults. Ratio must be 8:1.

**School Day Funding** - \$8,743 per student  
4 days a week/ 30 weeks minimum

**Extended Learning Funding** - \$10,492  
5 days a week/ 36 weeks minimum  
\*\*must allow for planning

Additional funds MAY be available for transportation, curriculum, assessment, and screening needs.

*Based on FY 24 Funding*

## Benefits to your Child Care Center or School District

- Increases enrollment by attracting families to Pre-K programming.
- Opportunity to keep families in district for Kindergarten and beyond.
- Funding aligns with K-12 per pupil allowance
- Braided funding opportunities
- Access to high-quality programming aimed at PreK and K readiness.
- Program coaching that supports staff in providing high-quality opportunities for children.
- Professional Learning sessions that include 3 data meetings to look at local and regional data trends.
- ISD promotion to community stakeholders
- Preschool Partnership provides recruitment and enrollment support.
- Support transition to Universal Pre K.



## Family Benefits



- Provide opportunities for children to develop and grow using developmentally appropriate practices in a play-based curriculum.
- Families have the opportunity to meet with preschool staff 4 times during the school year to talk about their child's growth and development.
- Families are invited to participate in leadership roles such as advisory committees and parent engagement events.
- Provides convenience of one drop off/pick up location for a family having multiple children who attend the same school building.
- Increases access to GSRP benefits of a high-quality preschool environment.
- Facilitates a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

Complete COPESD  
New GSRP Program  
Application



## GSRP Funding Can Support

- Staff
- Approved curriculum
- Approved assessments
- Approved developmental screening
- Technology
- Classroom supplies & materials
- Initial & ongoing training
- Outdoor equipment
- Meals/Snacks for the program supported by a federal food program (CACFP) - must participate
- Licensing Inspections, training, and background checks



\*Not a complete list

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